GERMANS MAKING MIGHTY EFFORT TO CHECK THE ALLIES' ADVANCE

On the Right the French Are Still Gaining Ground Steadily, However-British on North Not Able to Progress So Rapidly During the Day

40,000 PRISONERS TAKEN SINCE THURSDAY MORNING ican field army of fiee corps has been completed. The army will be commanded by General Pershing, and, it is understood, will operate in the area north of

This Brings the Total Number of are included in the first army. Germans Captured in Foch's Great Drive Up to 75,000-Guns So Far Taken By Allies Almost 1,000

Mighty efforts are being made by the German high command to divisions under full staff direction. The creation of the first arms to divisions under full staff direction. The creation of the first arms to divisions under full staff direction. check the allies' advance through Picardy toward Peronne, Roye American forces under American com and Noyon. On the northern end of the battle line, the British mand but under the orders of the Genthough London reports unofficially that the village of Bray has been entered.

In the center, strong German counter-attacks seem to have and Wright. held up the advance against vital points along the line. There is an visions with each division including 30, quired to prevent Germany from obtainunconfirmed report, however, that Roye has been abandoned by

On the right the French are still gaining ground steadily. They have reached the crest of the hills west of the Oise and virtually shortly in view of the recent Washing- ment." have cleared the Matz valley of the enemy.

The battle still is confined within the limits fixed when the French extended the fighting area to the Oise. It has been expect- NEW "PEACE OFFENSIVE" STARTED ed that the combat might spread along the line, especially to the northward, but this development has not as yet been reported.

Interest in the Picardy battle now centers upon the German efforts to stabilize the front along the line from Albert south to offensive" has been started at Munich, Chaulnes and to check the French efforts to envelop the enemy's positions at Lassigny.

There has been an enemy effort, which There has been an enemy effort, which has met with a measure of success, to were attacked last evening by the Gerhold the northern flank of the line firmly, mans. The attack was repulsed. while the allies have pushed eastward in the direction of Peronne and Ham. On 40,000 PRISONERS AND the southern end of the front the Germans have been unable so far to do more than slow down the progress of the Extremely Bitter Resistance Is Being

In this sector an important advance is reported in the fact that the French have reached Antoval on the crest of the hills west of Ribecourt. In the German drive early in June the fall of Antoval proved fatal to French hopes to hold the valley of the Oise, as well as the forest of Carlepont, on the east bank. If Antoval is firmly held by the French, the German lines along the Oise, it seems, are in danger, and if the French continue to gain the enemy's retirement from territory held along the eastern bank of the river a further advance.

may be forced. Reports would appear to indicate the line where the present heavy fighting is going on is not the one upon which the Germans have decided to stand definitely on the defensive. On the contrary, the present fight appears to have reached the stage presented three weeks ago when the Germans made a stand along the Ourcq river and the heights of Fere en-Tardenois. This stand, it developed, was for the purpose of permitting the tinuing their advance between the Avre enemy to get his artillery out of danger and the Oise, according to news received

be marked by savage fighting, especially on the south, where the continued progelect to stand.

to curve eastward until it reaches the the Somme, the advices state. Oise. The high ground on the north is proving difficult of capture by the allies. Part of the front was being continued by the stable of Congressman George W. Private Abraham Frank of Burlington the stable of Congressman George W. Private Abraham Frank of Burlington

Paris reports unofficially that 40,000 prisoners have been taken since Thurs- they must be close to it. The whole is missing. day morning. This brings the total number of Germans captured in Marshal Foch's two great drives up to 75,000. The number of guns so far taken by the allies in the two offensives totals almost stabilized.

FRENCH TROOPS HAVE ADVANCED NEARER ROYE and Roye has not fallen.

British Positions South of Lihons Attacked Last Evening By Germans But Attacks Was Repulsed.

London, Aug. 12.-French troops have advanced nearer to the important point REPORT ROYE HAS of Roye from the southwest by the capture of the villages of Armancourt and Tilloloy, according to the official statement from Field Marshal Haig to-day South of the Somme, British troops have captured 200 prisoners. British positions east of Mericourt, south of the river, have been linked with the British lines east of Etinehem, north of the river. p. m., Aug. 12 (by The Associated Press), the admiralty announced to-day.

afternoon that the town of Roye, which the Germans have been defending so desperately, has been evacuated.

The Army Will Be Commanded By Gen-

With the American Army in France, Sunday, Aug. 11 (By the Associated Press).—Organization of the first Amerthe Marne from which the Germans have been driven out. The American divisions which participated in that drive have been under French command, but now

as chief of the American expeditionary forces, after a time may relinquish the command of the first army but possibly not until the organization of a second army is well under way. Meanwhile, he will have two headquarters, at the first army as well as at general headquarters. up at Consuelo, Chihuahua, 50 miles. The step is regarded as the most important development in the organization of the American expeditionary forces to date. It is looked upon as the natural development of the 1917-18 scheme of

General Pershing, who retains his post

eralissimo Marshal Foch.

Generals Liggett, Bullard, Bundy, Reed

Each corps is composed of several di-000 troops of all arms, while the corps in addition will have its complement of auxiliary troops, supply troops, air squadrons, tanks and heavy artillery. It on announcement that 1,300,000 American troops already had sailed for France.

Munich Professors Have Plan for Bring-

ing About Peace Proposals.

according to the Tageblatt of Berlin. for imm Professor F. L. Quidde of Vienna, Professor Heinrich Lammasch of Budapest, and Bishop Franknei, of the Roman Catholic church in Hungary, have requested the general secretary of the Inferparliamental union at Christiania to suggest to the interparliamentary groups of the belligerent countries that three representatives be appointed by a secret ballot from each belligerent for the purpose of exchanging views on peace pro-

GERMAN GENERALS CASHIERED.

Were Punished for Neglect of Duty in Command Near Montdidier. Paris, Aug. 12.-Nearly 40,000 prison

ers and 700 guns have been taken by the allies in Picardy, according to reliable in-Extremely bitter resistance is being duty, according to Belgian reports reoccuntered from the Germans along the ceived in Amsterdam and transmitted by line of Chaulnes-Roye-Noyon. The enthe Exchange Telegraph company.

high treason.

THEIR ADVANCE

700 GUNS TAKEN

Encountered from the Germans

formation here.

But Towns of Albert and Chaulnes Seem To-day to Be Held By the Enemy.

London, Aug. 12 .- The French are con-

and remove troops from threatened re- in London to-day, and have captured the los Angeles was killed by a German gions so far as possible.

Los Angeles was killed by a German shell near Sergy on July 28 while march town of L'Echelle-St. Aurin, three miles The coming day or two probably will directly west of Roye.

The line on this front now runs from L'Echelle-St. Aurin southeast through was injured.

ress of the French would weaken the Armancourt and Tilloloy, three miles whole German position, if it does not southwest of Roye, and continues in a neers who assisted in the construction of turn the flank of the Noyon-Nesles line, southeasterly direction through Gury, 11 Fort McArthur at San Pedro. which it appears, may be the first defen- miles southeast of Montdidier. It then upon which the enemy may curves to the east and passes through lect to stand.

The front as it stands to day, runs in Antoval, just northwest of Ribecourt, on Watchman at Saratoga Race Track Was a generally straight line from the Somme the Oise. The British have captured the southward to Tilloloy, where it begins western edge of the town of Bray, on

man reserves are reported coming into centered in the sector around the Las- dered and robbed of \$200 early to-day, stock. whether the French are on the crest, but axe. The slayer escaped. A stable boy position on the southern line depends

upon possession of it. In the region between the Roye road and the Somme the position has been The Germans have massed heavy artillery on this front and are heavily counter-attacking.

The towns of Albert and Chaulnes eem to-day to be held by the enemy, Only slight changes in the line as a little French city. hole are reported in despatches reaching London this afternoon, but a dingdong battle is raging all up nad down the northern section of the present bat-

BEEN EVACUATED

British Tanks Have Been Seen Operating Considerable Distance

East of Town.

British tanks have been seen operating a considerable distance east of that town.

FIRST AMERICAN

eral Pershing, Under the Orders of Marshal Foch.

Amsterdam, Aug. 12.-A new "peace

London, Aug. 12.-Three German gen erals recently commanding near Mont-didier have been cashiered for neglect of emy is bringing up strong reinforcements, while the allies are preparing for martialized at St. Quentin Saturday for

The Germans in Belgium are showing signs of great uneasiness and the German emperor is reported to have moved

LIEUT. KIRK KILLED.

Engineer Was Hit by a German Shell on July 28.

With the American Army on the Vesle, Thursday, Aug. 8 (by The Associated Press). — Lieutenant Theodore Kirk of Los Angeles was killed by a German ing forward with a detachment of bridge builders. No one else in the command

Lieutenant Kirk was one of the engi-

KILLED AND ROBBED.

Murdered and \$200 Taken.

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 12 .- A. C. Mann signy massif. It is difficult to say Mann was struck on the head with an

> YANKEES IN SUBURBS OF BRAY. Are Fighting a Continuous Battle in Outskirts of City.

London, Aug. 12, 4:33 p. m. (By Associated Press).-American troops are in the suburbs of Bray, to-day, fighting a continuous battle for the outskirts of the

Eichhorn's Assassin Executed.

German airplanes have been brought Amsterdam, Aug. 12.—Boris Danskio, the assassin of Field Marshal Herman von Eichhorn, was executed on Saturday. according to advices from Kiev. The sentence was pronounced by a Ger. have been brought down. man military court and was carried out

immediately after its confirmation by the competent judicial tribunal.

Bring Down German Airplane. With the British Army in France, 2:16 of Ameland, on the northern Dutch coast, pects to take up his work at the col- writers.

VILLA BANDITS TWO STEAMERS. HOLD UP TRAIN 9 SCHOONERS,

FIELD ARMY FORMED Twenty-Six Passengers and Forty Soldiers of Train Guard Killed

> ON THE MEXICAN CENTRAL RAILROAD

The Dead Were Stripped of Their Clothing and Valuables

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 12.—Twenty-six passengers and forty soldiers of the train guard of fifty men were killed and seventy soldiers and two civilians wounded when the northbound train on the Mexican Central railroad was held day, according to word received here to day. The bandits were Villa followers. The dead were stripped of their clothing and valuables.

To Prevent Germany from Obtaining Control of Food in Russia,

Vladivostok, Monday, Aug. 5-(By Associated Press).—General Horvath, self-styled "head of the new All-Russian government," declares that nothing less than 150,000 allied troops will be reing control of the food resources of Siberia and Mongolia. General Horvath's visit here was for the purpose of opening negotiations with the Vladivostok group understood other armies will be formed of the "Autonomous Siberian Govern-

> Coincident with his arrival came announcements from Washington and Toklo relative to the scope of the allies' aim to relieve Russia. General Horvath is said to be depressed by these announcements, as they failed to foreshadow a formidable military movement. He declared that a large body of Czacho-Slovaks are in desperate straits at Irkutak, being surrounded by bolshevik and Magyar troops and without a chance for immediate relief.

FAILS TO AMEND MAN-POWER BILL

Ages 21 to 45, Instead of 18 to 45, Voted Down Overwhelmingly,

Washington, D. C., Aug. 12 .- An effort by Senator Kirby of Arkansas to amend the administration man-power bill so as to extend the draft ages from 21 to 45, inclusive, instead of 18 to 45, as proosed, failed to-day in the Senate military committee by an overwhelming vote. Senator Kirby announced that he would

RAN INTO BRIDGE.

Arrest Occupants of Auto After Smashup.

Brattleboro, Aug. 12.-George H. Colby and a companion of Bellows Falls are in the lockup here as the result of an accident at midnight when an auto, owned and driven by Colby, struck the southwest corner of the iron bridge over Whetstone brook on Elliott street, this village. The other occupants of the car-

escaped arrest. The men were returning from Greenfield. The left front wheel went over the edge of a 20-foot embankment. The right front wheel, locked in the iron arch of the bridge, held the car. No

one was injured. Chief of Police Wilson found a suitcase in the bushes near the scene containing 11 quarts of liquor.

THREE VERMONTERS SELECTED From Men at Camp Devens to Go to Officers' Training School.

Three Vermonters have been selected with many others from the men at Camp Devens to go to the central officers' training camp at Camp Lee, Va. They are: while to the south heavy forces of Ger- the French this morning. Main interest Loft at the race track here, was mur- and Sergeant Harold A. Gobie of Wood-

SIX MOTORBOATS MISSING.

British Boats Fail to Return After Reconnoitering Expedition.

London, Aug. 12.—The admiralty announced to-day that six British motorboats have failed to return from a reconnoitering expedition carried out on fishermen attacked by a German subma- have fainted and fell in. Where the Aug. 11, along the west Friesland coast rine off George's Bank Saturday after-Americans Get Two Airplanes. With the American Army in France,

down by American fliers in the last 24 hours on the Toul sector. Official confirmation, however, still is lacking.

Aug. 12.—(By Associated Press).—Two

ege some time in September.

third German airplane is believed to To Become President of Elmira. New Haven, Conn., Aug. 12 .- Dr. Frederick Lent, pastor of the First Baptist to three per cent and in some cases to voted not to accept the resignation of church of this city, to-day announced his four per cent for sailings between Amer- the pastor, Rev. S. W. Anthony. Mr. Mrs. Johnson received painful cuts about

DAY'S SUB. TOLL

Sunday

SIXTY FISHERMEN AFLOAT IN DORIES

Attack on the Fishing Fleet Took Place Saturday Night

Washington, D. C., Aug. 12.-German submarine raiders operating off the north Atlantic coast have destroyed three more vessels, the navy department to-day announced.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Destruction of

the British steamer Penistone and the Swedish steamer Sydland by a German submarine off the New England coast, was reported to-day to the navy department. The Penistone was sent down yesterday about 100 miles east of Nantucket and the Sydland on Aug. 8 southeast of Nantucket. No news of the fate of the crews was given in the depart-

the Sydland's crew were rescued. Later the navy was advised that th American schooner Herman Winter had SWEDISH STEAMER been sunk in the same general locality. There is no record here of a schooner of that name. An American coastwise steamer named Herman Winter is re- Fifteen Survivors of Sydland Arrive at

orted safe in port. Three weeks ago yesterday a subma ine made its appearance off the Massachusetts coast in the second raid of submarines in American waters since the Inited States entered the war. A tug and three barges were destroyed gunfire. The submarine next was heard from off the coast of Nova Scotia, where several steamers and sailing vessels were sunk.

An Atlantic Port, Aug. 12.—A British LT. CLARK O. TAYNTOR merchant ship was sunk Saturday off the north Atlantic coast, according to the second officer of the German subma rine which sent nine fishing schooners to Graduate of Spaulding High School and the bottom of George's Banks Saturday and Sunday. This report was given members of the crew of the Kate Palmer Effort of Senator Kirby to Make Draft a fishing schooner, when they were tak en aboard the U-boat prior to the destruction of their vessel. The fishermen did not learn the name of the Britisher, but were informed she had two smoke-

The fishermen were brought here early to-day aboard the auxiliary schooner fore pursuing courses at Yale and Har-Helen Murley, after having been set vard. He is an officer in the 47th U. adrift in a dory shortly before nightfall infantry, having enlisted late in by the submarine's commander. They summer of 1917. He was assigned to a orted that probably 60 fishermen were U-boat's attack upon the fleet. Naval training camp. Upon being commis-and marine men expected, however, sioned he was assigned to the 57th inthat most of these soon would be picked fantry in the regular army and before

The crew of the Palmer reported that ago, he was stationed for a time in probably 30 sailing vessels were in the North Carolina.

submarine appeared they attempted to tor's home address, and his brother, Lew-get away, but changed their minds and is Tayntor, is engaged in the retail monsubmarine and taken aboard. Immediciated with the Barre granite industry. ately they were sent below and were kept there for about an hour while the submarine proceeded in a westerly direction. Later they were told to get into their dory and were cast adrift about o'clock Saturday night. They were picked up five hours later by the Murley. They did not see their schooner sunk, but assumed she was destroyed by a

The fishermen reported that the submarine was 300 feet long and carried a crew of about 70 men. A six-inch gun was mounted forward and a smaller one

officials to have been accounted for by the U-boat which has been operating in noon, but were unable to find any trace north Atlantic waters for two weeks or of him. About 6 o'clock an auto

destroyed Saturday.

The auxiliary schooner Albert Black, owned at Portland, Mc., was one of the craft at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Rev. G. A. Furness, assisted by Rev. A. one of which struck close by. The submarine was three miles away and was firing at other boats.

With the aid of all her sails and auxiliary power, the schooner escaped uned, with her crew of 10,

Marine underwriters to-day advanced war risk rates on sailing vessels, both for coastwise and trans-ocean routes, be-

Two steamers with survivors of ves- two weeks ago.

sels sunk by German submarines off the Massachusetts coast, reported to day that they were proceeding to port, but the number aboard or the names of the ships were not stated.

IDENTIFY COMMANDER.

Submarine Head Formerly in U. S. Fisheries Service.

Gloucester, Mass., Aug. 12 .- Fishermen laim to have identified the commander Off New England Coast Saturday Afternoon and

of a German submarine which has been sinking fishing boats off the Atlantic coast as a skilled navigator formerly in the United States fisheries service. Two men from different schooners that were sunk claim to have recognized a former acquaintance who had changed little ex-cept that he had grown a beard since they last saw him.

HERMAN WINTER DESTROYED.

American Steamer Sunk Yesterday Off New England Coast.

Washington, Aug. 12.-Later the navy epartment was advised that the Amer ican schooner Herman Winter was de-stroyed by a submarine yesterday morn-ing in the same general location.

BRITISH STEAMER PENISTONE SUNK

Victim of German Submarine Off Georges Banks, To-

Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 12.-Sinking of the British steamer Penistone by a German submarine off Georges banks, was reported to-day.

The Penistone, a vessel of about 4,000 ons gross, apparently was sunk by the same U-boat that destroyed nine fishing schooners Saturday. First reports made no reference to the crew's safety and ment's dispatch. All of the members of gave no details of the attack.

SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Boston-Steamer Was Sunk on Saturday. -Boston, Aug. 12.-Fifteen survivors of the Swedish steamer Sydland arrived here to-day and reported that their vessel had been sunk by a German submarine Saturday. Fifteen others of the

WAS FORMER BARRE BOY

crew were picked up by another ship.

of Yale University Reported Wounded in Action.

Lieut. Clark O. Tayntor, whose name appears in to-day's casualty list as beng among those wounded, with the degree as yet undetermined, is a former Barre boy, who obtained his preparatory education at Spaulding high school be regular army unit at Fort Leavenworth east adrift in small boats after the Kans., and later attended an officers' his departure overseas several months

mmediate vicinity at the time of the Lieut. Tayntor is around 26 years old attack. They said they heard firing all and a native of Barre. He was graduday Saturday from 10 a. m. Most of ated from Spaulding in 1911 and in the the sinkings occurred on Saturday rather same year he enrolled at Yale univerthan Sunday, as early reports indicated. sity, where he was graduated four years The men brought in by the Murley in-cluded Captain Edward Russell of the Harvard and was about to enter practice Kate Palmer, and Frederick W. Quinlan, when the war broke out and he enlisted. one of the crew, and two Nova Scotia His mother, Mrs. E. O. Tayntor, lives in fishermen. They said that when the Erie, Pa., which is given as Lieut. Taynsurrendered. Captain Russell and his ument business in Pennsylvani. The late small crew were ordered alongside the E. O. Tayntor was for many years asso-

> DROWNING SUNDAY AT MARSHFIELD

Harry Getchell's Body Found in Stream Beside the Road-Believed to Have Been Accidental.

Marshfield, Aug. 12.-Harry Getchell left his home shortly before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon saying he was going astern. The second officer told them the submersible could make 21 knots on the time for dinner. When he did not refor a short walk and would return in health might refrain entirely from using turn his wife and mother-in-law, Mrs. All the vessels are believed by naval Foster, set out to look him up. They, more. The Penistone was sunk near discovered the body in the river about George's Banks, off the Massachusetts a quarter of a mile below the village and coast, where some 11 fishing boats were they reported the finding. It is unknown how drowning occurred, but it is sur mised Mr. Getchell, who was about 31 years of age and in feeble health, may accident occurred the stream runs close

RESIGNATION NOT ACCEPTED.

Pastor Now in France.

cause of the continued activity of the church and society held at the close of in the middle, pushing it against the U-boats in coastal waters. Rates jumped the services yesterday morning it was fence which skirts the road on the right London, Aug. 12.—A German airship has been brought down in flames north of Ameland, on the northern Dutch coast, pects to take up his work at the col-

'I DID WRONG"-GOV. GRAHAM

Governor Issues Statement to the People of Vermont

REGARDING ACTS OF

HIS AS AUDITOR Humbly Asks People of State

to Reserve Judgment Until

Outsider Examines Books

For several weeks now there have been rumors regarding Governor Horace F. Graham's conduct of affairs in the office of auditor during the 14 years he held the office of state auditor of accounts. Briefly, these rumors amount to this: During the period he was auditor, it is alleged, he drew in advance on his salary and expense account an amount in excess of his yearly allowance, which grew in the 14 years to several thousands of dollars. The book and vouchers of the auditor's office, it is said, show all this, as no effort was made to conceal the overdrafts. Further, a part of the overdrafts have been repaid by Governor Graham and the balance has been or will be repaid this week. In the following letter to the people of Vermont the gov-ernor confesses his wrongdoing, expresses sorrow, and asks suspension of judgment until an outsider examines the books and accounts of the auditor's office and re-

ports the true facts in the case. The governor's letter follows: To the People of Vermont: Inquiry having been made concerning my conduct of the office when auditor of accounts, I feel that I should say some thing upon this subject. I realize that I did wrong in the manner of handling my salary and official expenses and for this I am extremely sorry.

It has just come to my attention that ome of the vouchers, and in two instances the files themselves, have been taken from the office. I have never tak en any files or youchers from the office of the auditor of accounts and I did not know until now that they were missing. The books in the auditor's office al-

ways showed, and do now, just how my salary and expense account stand. have never made any concealment that respect, and the books have always been open to the inspection of the proper I have requested Honorable O. M. Barber of Bennington, a judge of the U.S. court of customs appeals, and my pre-decessor in the office of auditor of ac-

to reserve their judgment in the matter until Judge Barber reports his findings. Horace F. Graham. Montpelier, Vt., Aug. 12, 1918.

ounts, to make a thorough examination

of all books and papers in the auditor's office and to report the exact situation;

and I humbly ask the people of the state

CONSERVATION SAVED THE DAY. More Than Once Has It Saved the Situa-

tion on Western Front, Said Mr. Brooks. More than once the patriotism of the American people in conserving wheat by the use of substitutes saved the situation on the western front, according to F. H. Brooks, state food administrator, who motored to Barre from a Maine coast resort yesterday that he might fulfill his engagement to address the Sunday afternoon union service in City park The speaker emphasized over and over again the necessity of conserving sugar, but added that conservation of wheat is even more important, albeit some relief may be expected from the next harvest. Out of substitution, not out of surplus was the wheat supply created which saved the allies over there, according to Mr. Brooks, who asserted that when the whole story of America's part in the great war is written, the part that wheat

conservation played will astonish a good many people.

After the next harvest, Mr. Brooks, suggested, it is possible that wheat may used on a 70-30 or a 75-25 basis, but he charged his audience not to be too optimistic and appealed to them to curtail wheat consumption that a reserve supply may be created for any emergency that may develop before the war is won. He told of thousands of bushels of wheat spoiling in Australia because there are not ships to transport it. He suggested that mature persons in good sugar during the next few months, although he said that children and sick

persons should not be deprived. AUTO WAS SIDESWIPED.

Arthur Lamperti Runs His Car Into That of A. F. Johnson of Bradford.

Two cars headed for Barre Sunday afternoon figured in an accident near the Pioneer, where a car owned and operated by Arthur Lamperti of Montpelier closed noon and yesterday. Captain Granville to the highway. Prayer will be said at Johnson of Bradford. Both cars were Johnson reported upon arrival here to- the house at 11 o'clock Tuesday and on the right side of the highway until day that several shells were fired at his the funeral will be held at Plainfield, Mr. Lamperti started to go ahead of the auto ahead of him. At the same me a motorcyclist, Anthony W. Wright of Montpelier, going from this city, appeared in the highway and his presence isibly complicated matters for both au-Congregational Church Votes to Retain toists. It appeared that Mr. Lamperti was faced with the alternative of collid-Albans, Aug. 12.—At a special sideswiping the car from Bradford. The meeting of the First Congregational front end of his machine struck the Ford No one was injured badly, although treatment.